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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Henri Georges BOIS

Serial No.: 09/786,191

Filed: March 2, 2001

For: APPARATUS AND A METHOD OF  
MANUFACTURING PACKAGING  
BAGS

) Group Art Unit: 3721

) Examiner: Huynh

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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated December 4, 2002 (Paper No 6), the period for reply having been extended for three months by a request for extension and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the application as follows

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please delete the abstract in its entirety and substitute with the following:

--An apparatus for forming reclosable bags, wherein said bags are formed from a continuously traveling film (12) fitted with at least one closure tape (60), wherein the apparatus comprises a set of heat-sealed jaws (30) provided transversely relative to the travel direction of the film (12), at least one sensor (100) that detects if the tape (60) is present or not on the film in a predetermined position relative to the heat-sealed jaws, and means suitable to reposition correctly the film in regard of the heat-sealed jaws when the sensor detects a default in the position of the tape, so as to eliminate drift due to the elasticity of the film.--

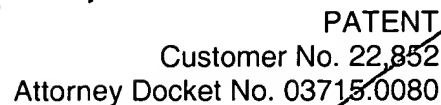
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# TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of December 4, 2002. The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☒ Applicant hereby petitions for a three month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$930.00 for the Extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	28	-	25	3	x \$ 18	\$ 54.00
Indep.	7	-	3	4	x \$ 84	336.00
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					Subtotal	\$ 390.00
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					TOTAL	\$ 390.00

- ☒ A fee of \$390.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
- ☒ A check for \$930.00 to cover the Extension of Time fee is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-09167

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